

**The Building Code Standards Committee meeting will be on
January 19, 2006
At the
William Powers Building
Conference Room B
One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI**

583rd Meeting 1:00 p.m. January 19, 2006

1. Call to order.

2. Appeals:

**05-18 Masonic Temple Hotel (continued)
Providence, RI**

**06-01 28 Water Street
East Greenwich, RI**

3. Approval of Minutes of last meeting.

4. Correspondence.

5. Committee Reports

6. Legislation

7. Old Business.

a. New Material Approval – Fabric Shield Storm Panel

8. New Business.

9. Adjourn

1. Mr. Newbrook, Acting Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

2. There were no appeals at this meeting. Mr. DeDentro said at the January 19, 2006 meeting the Providence Renaissance Hotel (Masonic Temple) will return to continue the appeal regarding pressurization of elevator shafts. Also on the January 19th meeting appeal 06-01, 28 Water Street will be heard (at the appellant's request it was postponed until this date) Mr. DeDentro also informed the Committee that on the February 2, 2006 meeting appeal 03-05, 219 Main Street, East Greenwich, was remanded back to this Committee by the judge for findings and fact.

3. The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted upon a motion by Mr. Carlson and seconded by Mr. Gagnon. The Minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Correspondence:

a. Masonic Temple Appeal

Mr. DeDentro said that he received corrected calculations and has forwarded them to the Subcommittee for review.

b. Small Business Advocate Invitation

Mr. DeDentro said that on December 19, 2005 he sent Mr. Soares from the Economic Development Corporation a letter to invite him to our January 5th or January 19th meeting and has received no response. He said he will extend an invitation to him by telephone next week.

5. Committee Reports:

a. Certification Subcommittee Report

Mr. DeDentro said that as instructed by the Certification Subcommittee, he has begun the approval process for those officials who have met the requirements for recertification. The next phase will be to send out letters to those who are very close to meeting the requirement but have not done so. It was decided that for those people who are close, they will be given an extension of three months. The final phase will be to notify those who have not met the requirements. Mr. DeDentro said that the purchase requisition for continuing education from the ICC is pending and in the final stages. There was discussion on the pros and cons on mandatory classes.

b. Mechanical Subcommittee

Mechanical Subcommittee met to discuss calculations for the Providence Renaissance Hotel. They recommend performance testing to the satisfaction of the AHJ and would like to see the

engineer's seal or stamp on the submittal calculations.

Mr. DeDentro said that the State Fire Marshal has been invited to the January 19, 2006 meeting to discuss fire response issues at the Providence Renaissance Hotel with the implementation of this variance request. He will consult with the Providence Fire Department prior to the meeting.

Mr. Preiss said that he received a request from the Department of Energy to upgrade our code for air conditioning system efficiency to reflect 2006 Department of Energy standards. Mr. Preiss motioned to send a letter to the Department of Energy to let them know that we have to have a public hearing in order to change our codes. Mr. Carlson second. All were in favor.

Mr. DeDentro said he received a letter from the PUC informing us that the PUC has been charged by the General Assembly to create standards for various appliances including exit signs, washers, dryers and are asking for his comments. This will have effect on the energy code's provisions. Mr. DeDentro will forward the correspondence to the Energy Code Subcommittee. There was also a suggestion to send this the Small Business Advocate.

6. Legislation:

Mr. DeDentro said he received a copy of a bill which would remove

the Contractors' Registration Board from the Building Code Commission and Department of Administration and send it to the Department of Labor and Training.

7. Old Business: None

8. New Business:

a. Appeal 03-05 219 Main Street, E. Greenwich

Mr. Coffey explained the legal procedures regarding a remand directive by the judge in this appeal. This appeal has been remanded back to this Board for further fact and findings and will be heard on February 2, 2006.

b. New Material Application – Fabric Shield Protective Devices

A new material application from Wayne Dalton Industries was reviewed by Mr. Cocce. Mr. DeDentro said there are two types of storm shutters: 1) a rolling shade and 2) mounted on studs into the structure on the exterior and fabric is placed over the opening. Mr. DeDentro will review the application regarding limiting it to two stories and also will review to see if it can be installed on the inside and bring this back to the Committee for approval at the next

meeting.

c. Environmental Issues

Ms. Stoeckel requested the following be added to the February 16, 2006 agenda: RI Department of Health discussion on housing resources, environmental, lead and minimum housing issues related to codes adopted by the Building Code Standards Committee.

9. Adjourn:

Upon a motion by Mr. Turner, seconded by Mr. Carlson the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Daniel R. DeDentro
Executive Secretary**

Building Code Standards Committee

Members Present: R. Brown, J. Carlson, S. Turner, R. Stillings, D. Gagnon, D. Newbrook, J. Maloney, D. Palmisciano, G. Preiss, M. Stoeckel.

Members Absent: R. Collins, G. Chabot, B. Davey, A. Durand, R.

DeBlois, J. Gaskell, P. DePace, W. Howe, L. Gemma, M. Lowenstein, J. Pagliaro.

Staff Members Present: D. DeDentro, T. Coffey, E. Gordon, A. Cocce, S. Cowen

The next Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, January 19, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room B at One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI.